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Applicant	:	Bernhard B. Sterling et al.
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For	:	REAGENT-LESS WHOLE- BLOOD GLUCOSE METER
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PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) to correct the inventorship of the above-captioned patent application. In particular, Applicant wishes to change the inventorship as follows:

1. DELETE: Heidi M. Smith
2. DELETE: Jane J. Sheill
3. DELETE: Martin J. Fennell

Submitted herewith are statements of each of the persons to be deleted, that the inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent on his or her part. The originally-filed declaration contains a declaration of each of the actual inventors as required by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.48(a)(3) and 1.63. The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. Written consent of the Assignee of the present application is submitted herewith.

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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the present petition should be granted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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